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SUBJECT: VIETNAMESE LEADER MONITORED WESTERN BROADCAST
BEFORE ESCAPE

THE LEADER OF A REFUGEE GROUP THAT RECENTLY REACHED HONG KONG
CAREFULLY PLANNED HIS ESCAPE BASED UPON INFORMATION AVAILABLE
OVER THE BBC AND VOA. THE REFUGEE LEADER EXPLAINED THAT HE
LISTENED REGULARLY TO CANTONESE, VIETNAMESE, AND ENGLISH
BROADCASTS FOR NEWS OF WHAT COUNTRIES WERE ACCEPTING VIETNAMESE
REFUGEES. HE HEARD IN MID-JULY, FIRST OVER THE BBC AND LATER
OVER VOA, THAT NINETY-NINE REFUGEES ON THE BURMESE SHIP "AVA"
HAD ARRIVED IN HONG KONG. BASED UPON THAT INFORMATION, HE
DETERMINED TO SAIL FOR EITHER HONG KONG OR THE PHILIPPINES,
FINALLY DECIDING ON THE LATTER BECAUSE OF FUEL LIMITATIONS.
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